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SUBJECT: DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY BRIEFED ON
NORTH KOREAN INFILTRATION ACTIVITIES
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1. FOREIGN EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING MILITARY ATTACHES, WERE INVITED TO MOFA ON DECEMBER 4 TO RECEIVE A BRIEFING ON THE LATEST NORTH KOREAN INFILTRATION ATTEMPT EARLIER THIS MONTH (REFTEL). ATTENDING DIPLOMATS AND ATTACHES WERE WELCOMED BY ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER KIM DONG WHIE (M-R: KIM TONG-HWI), WHO ASSERTED THAT NORTH KOREAN INFILTRATION ACTIVITIES ARE AIMED AT CREATING CONFUSION IN SOUTH KOREA AND AT DIVERTING THE ATTENTION OF THE NORTH KOREAN POPULATION FROM INTERNAL PROBLEMS. USING SLIDES AND VIDEO TAPES, COUNTER INFILTRATION OPERATIONS CENTER BRIEFERS DESCRIBED IN DETAIL THE
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DECEMBER 1 - 2 INFILTRATION ATTEMPT AND REVIEWED THE SIX OTHER INFILTRATION INCIDENTS THIS YEAR. BRIEFERS PREDICTED THAT NORTH KOREA WOULD INTENSIFY ITS INFILTRATION ACTIVITIES IN THE COMING MONTHS IN VIEW OF THE TWO NATIONAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN THE ROK IN 1981. CAPTURED INFILTRATION EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING BOATS, WERE DISPLAYED OUTSIDE THE MOFA BUILDING. THE BRIEFING ENDED WITH A 20-MINUTE SLIDE PRESENTATION OUTLINING RECENT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN NORTH KOREA. ATTENDEES WERE GIVEN WRITTEN MATERIALS REGARDING THE NORTH KOREAN INFILTRATION EFFORTS DURING 1980 AND ROKG VIEWS ON RECENT NORTH KOREAN "PROVOCATIONS AND SCHEMES" AGAINST THE ROK AND ON PEACEFUL UNIFICATION.
2. COMMENT: THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE BRIEFING WAS CLEARLY TO DISSEMINATE ROKG VIEWS REGARDING NORTH KOREAN HOSTILE
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INTENTIONS VIS-A-VIS SOUTH KOREA BEFORE A CAPTIVE AUDIENCE.
EDITORIAL COMMENT IN THE LOCAL PRESS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL
DAYS HAS EMPHASIZED THE THEMES THAT RECENT INFILTRATION
ATTEMPTS CONTRADICT THE CURRENT NORTH KOREAN PEACEFUL
UNIFICATION CAMPAIGN ANL FORESHADOW INCREASED ARMED
SUBVERSION TO CREATE DISORDER AS SOUTH KOREA APPROACHES
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